

Amendments

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-3; add new claim 25; and amend the claims as follows:

4. (Amended) The arrangement according to claim 25, wherein cladding forms the reflection panels.
8. (Twice Amended) The arrangement according to claim 25, wherein the production machine includes a removable carriage containing the hollow wall elements.
9. (Amended) The arrangement according to claim 8, wherein the removable carriage includes a corner profile strip having a hollow space filled with damping material, and the reflection plates and the panels are insertable into the corner-profile strips.
10. (Amended) The arrangement according to claim 25, wherein the production machine includes a door having inside and outside cladding sheets with reflection surface interposed between the inside and outside cladding sheets defining hollow spaces between the reflection surface and a respective one of the inside and outside cladding sheets, and wherein the damping material comprises damping mats filling the hollow spaces, and the door further includes a

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profile frame comprising a hollow body having a pivoting axis and recessed sealing elements and the cladding sheets are inserted into the profile frame.

12. (Amended) The arrangement according to claim 25, wherein the production machine includes a window flap comprising two viewing panes, a profile strip into which the viewing panes are inserted, and a cladding sheet inserted into the profile strip and limiting a hollow space filled with damping mats.

13. (Amended) The arrangement according to claim 25, wherein the at least two tobacco-processing production machines are limited by at least one personnel standing region that is provided with a damping layer .

20. (Twice Amended) The arrangement according to claim 25, wherein the production machine has air-flow cross sections for supplying process air and flow conduits, at least some of the flow conduits are clad with sound-damping material, and the air-flow cross sections are predominantly concentrated in the flow conduits clad with sound-damping material.

23. (Amended) The arrangement according to claim 25, wherein the sound-damping mats are arranged such that noise from outside of the tobacco production machine is absorbed.

24. (Amended) The arrangement according to claim 25, wherein the sound-damping mats are arranged such that noise from outside of the tobacco production machine is at most only minimally reflected.

25. (New) An arrangement for reducing noise level in a control area of production machines in the tobacco-processing industry, comprising in combination.

at least two tobacco-processing production machines arranged at an angle to each other, wherein the production machines have hollow wall elements facing the control area, each said hollow wall elements having sieve perforated sheet metal panels facing the control area and reflection panels facing the respective production machine; and sound damping mats being arranged between the sieve perforated sheet metal panel and the reflection panel of each of the hollow wall elements.